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IN RE APPLICATION OF

OLIVER HARNACK, ET AL. : EXAMINER: YU, M.

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FOR: METHOD OF ATTACHING
HYDROPHILIC SPECIES TO
HYDROPHILIC MACROMOLECULES
AND IMMOBILIZING THE
HYDROPHILIC MACROMOLECULES
ON A HYDROPHOBIC SURFACE

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.